

# SPOKE

Conestoga College, Monday, March 26, 1990

## Lassel, Hermle win big at Doon

By Stephanie Donkers

Following a two-week campaign for the Doon Student Association's president and vice-president, 652 students at Conestoga College's Doon campus voted for incumbent John Lassel as president and Liz Hermle as vice-president.

The election results were announced at the DSA pub March 15.

"I'm quite pleased, obviously," Lassel, a second-year construction engineering student, said. He said he was honored to remain in the presidential position.

He said he tried to run an honest campaign and was not pleased with the "pot shots" his competitors made, such as a letter to the editor published in Spoke. The 25-year-old Lassel said he heard the letter was written by a member of another candidate's campaign. He said some comments in the letter were "totally reversed."

"To a certain extent it was a slander campaign," he said.

Lassel won by a 20 per cent margin, with Steve Roth finishing second.

Lassel said he wanted to inform students of the issues that needed attention.

"I'm glad that the issues were voted on," he said.

The DSA president, who became ill with a lung infection during his campaign, said "student politics is a taste of the real world. Students should be concerned with how their money is being spent."

Lassel was criticized for being too serious during his campaign. He described seriousness as one of his personal traits.

"Other candidates went out of their way to be silly and made the seriousness of my campaign all the more evident," he said.

Lassel said people who know him well know he can be an easy-going, fun person.

"I take my job seriously," he said. Hermle, a second-year management studies student at the college, was unavailable for comment.



John Lassel and Liz Hermle celebrate their DSA election victory at the pub Mar. 15.

(Photo by Tara Ziemanis/Spoke)

## Speeches give students chance to question candidates

### Issues spark debate from students

By Stephanie Donkers

Students at Conestoga College's Doon campus took full advantage when given the opportunity to question the Doon Student Association's presidential and vice-presidential candidates following candidate speeches in the college's main cafeteria March 12.

Speeches began at 11:30 a.m. All nominees running for office addressed issues such as school spirit, pub participation, parking and more. Vice-presidential candidates Liz Hermle, Jeff Sutton and Rui DaSilva spoke first.

Hermle listed unique ideas not mentioned by most other candidates, such as a yearbook for graduates and a full-scale used

book exchange. She stressed being vice-president is a commitment.

"I believe in this school. I know I can make a difference," she said.

Sutton said he did not do much campaigning because he feels a candidate should not be judged on how much money is spent on the campaign.

"I'm going to do the job and I'm going to do it right," he said.

DaSilva said there is "a lot of apathy around the school." He said the first thing he would do is improve the pubs.

"What we will remember is the fun," he said.

When asked why pub attendance is down, DaSilva, currently the assistant activities co-ordinator, said he would change that if elected.

Presidential candidates John Lassel, Steve Roth and Peter Dooley addressed many of the same issues.

"Time goes very quickly," said incumbent Lassel. He told students he wants to finish some things he has started.

Lassel commended the DSA board of directors. He said they have been the most active BOD in the college's history.

He, too, addressed unique issues such as non-alcoholic events for the 500 underage students in the college, an instant teller machine and bi-weekly meetings with the top elected officials from each program.

"It takes a year to learn the ropes," Lassel said.

Roth stressed team work within the DSA.

"I think it's time to put the fun back into the DSA," he said.

Roth said he would like more students involved with Spoke and

CXLR radio by expressing their opinions and concerns in print or on radio.

"Vote to bring unity and school spirit back to Conestoga College," he said.

The last speaker, Peter Dooley, said he did not want to make unrealistic promises, but if elected, hoped to deal with as many current issues as possible.

"I feel that I can do the best job for you," he said.

He said hopefully the DSA will become a "no-nonsense, get-the-job-done kind of team."

Students asked candidates questions after the speeches. Most wrote them on paper. Majorie Hewitt, current DSA vice-president, collected them. Some students voiced their questions into the microphone on the stage.

Many students questioned Roth and Lassel.

Roth, who wore jeans and a sweater, was questioned about his way of dress and the lack of seriousness in his campaign.

"I'm looking to have a lot of fun this year as well as being responsible," he said.

He said he wore jeans to present himself the way he is.

Lassel was questioned why he did not attend some committee meetings and DSA events since he is the president.

Students voted in the main cafeteria and outside the student lounge following the speeches on Monday, and on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday two weeks ago.

Lassel and Hermle were announced the winners at the DSA pub March 15.

## Guelph elections begin

By Janet Kauk

Elections may be over at Conestoga College's Doon campus, but they are just beginning at the Guelph campus.

Campaigning began March 19 and ended March 23.

Voting takes place March 26 to March 28 with the announcement of the winners on March 29.

Running for the position of president are: Keith Day, first-year welding and electrical technology; Ajmer Mandur, second-year materials management student; and Dave Nixon, first-

year general business student.

Jason Jones, first-year welding and electrical technology, and Mei Lee, first-year materials management, are running for the position of vice-president.

Appointments for other positions on the student association will be announced following the announcement of the presidential and vice-presidential winners.

The Guelph student association plans to hold an Hawaiian Tropic Pub either the first or second week of April so Guelph students can meet the winners.



Constable R.W. Morrow of the Cambridge OPP detachment gives a sample breathalyzer demonstration to volunteer Tom Mitchener in the cafeteria during the drinking and driving campaign.

(Photo by Jana Faulhafer/Spoke)

# OPINION

## SPOKE

**Editor:** Brian Brodersen  
**Associate Editor:** Jana Faulhafer  
**Production Manager:** Claudia Zuniga  
**Advertising Manager:** Cindy Madill  
**Circulation Manager:** Janet Kauk  
**Staff:** Bridget Bryans, Stephanie Donkers, John Freitas, Jill Keeling, Rob Langedyk, Jane MacDougall, Shari MacMullin, Mike Stumpf, Jo-ann Vas-selin, Tara Zeimanis.

Spoke is published and produced by the journalism-print students of Conestoga College. Spoke is financed from September to April by the DSA. The views and opinions expressed in this newspaper do not necessarily reflect the views of the college or the Doon Student Association. Advertisers in Spoke are not endorsed by the DSA unless their advertisements contain the DSA logo.

Spoke shall not be liable for damages arising out of errors in advertising beyond the amount paid for the space.

Address: Spoke, Conestoga College, 299 Doon Valley Dr., Kitchener, Ont. N2G 4M4. Telephone: (519) 748-5366.

### Growing up is hard to do

By Jane MacDougall

All students can probably remember their parents saying, "Enjoy these years—they're the best of your lives."

For some reason, young people never believe these wise old folks. What is fun about being in high school? Few of us had cars, spending money, or knew what we wanted to do with our lives. We thought we had it bad.

But, as the years roll by, one thinks maybe those high school days weren't so bad.

We did not have car repairs or loan payments, but we still managed to make it to the weekend party. Although we may have more money now, it seems to go into other people's pockets faster.

Yes, those were great times. But all good things must come to an end. And unfortunately, we must grow up.

Suddenly, we find ourselves in college, not sure why we're there or if we have chosen the right career. But we're there, trying to "get our lives together."

You find yourself becoming responsible. Not that you meant to, it just happens. Politics start to interest you, and you even imagine what parenthood is like.

You're almost finished college and it's hard to remember where the time went. Instead of talking about parties, your conversation is about jobs and getting ahead.

One by one, your friends find jobs. All those times you damned being in school and now it's almost over. And you know that you'll probably never see your school buddies again.

Life gets serious. Sometimes you're glad you're all grown up, but those school memories come creeping back, and you feel like you're 50.

Our parents were right—school years created the best memories. But we must live for the future. We must be successful. We must get married and raise children. We must buy a house. We must be happy.

Sometimes, being 15 years old doesn't sound bad.



### Opinion page open to students

By Jana Faulhafer

Opinion: a word defined by the Oxford Dictionary of current English, meaning a view held as probable, what one thinks of something.

Opinion, something human beings have instilled in them about every situation that occurs which has anything remotely to do with them.

Opinion, something everyone has the right to express, verbally or otherwise.

DSA elections have finished, leaving behind this question of opinion.

The editorial/opinion pages of any newspaper, large or small, are reserved for the opinions any common citizen, or, in our case, any college student, may wish to express.

Spoke's editorial page is page two.

The columns and editorials which appear there are assigned to Spoke staff by the week and are expected to meet Spoke standards.

The cartoons which appear there, and sometimes cause much controversy, are not assigned to or by anyone. They are a result of student opinion, not necessarily the opinion of the paper itself.

Something unique which does occur on that page, besides the furor-causing cartoons, is that every column and editorial which appears is signed by its author.

Sometimes even a picture appears so unsatisfied readers can even harass us in person.

Most other newspapers have an editorial department churning out editorials for which their writers never have to take any flak because they are unsigned.

We do.

Spoke staff accepts that responsibility and the challenges it often poses.

Because we are reporters does not mean we have special rights. Freedom of speech and freedom of the press protect us as much as anyone else.

### Dropout rate at Conestoga one of the lowest in province

By Brian Brodersen

According to a three-year college study into student dropout rates, 30 per cent of all students at Conestoga drop out during the first year.

This is a rather surprising statistic, but what is more surprising is the fact that Conestoga has one of the lowest dropout rates in the province.

There is obviously something wrong here. This study, conducted by retention coach Frank Abel, neatly assigns students into four categories: those who drop out because of poor grades, those who have problems but choose to stay with their programs, those

who drop out due to changed career decisions, and those who "receive passing grades, but choose to withdraw."

No guff!

These categories should be more than obvious to any student who has spent more than two weeks in any post-secondary institute of learning, yet Conestoga has spent three years figuring this out.

What these academic administrators should have been puzzling over is why these students choose to drop out (which brings to mind the old adage, those who cannot do, teach. Those who cannot teach, administer, well, it goes something like that, anyway).

After three years of study, having spent who knows how much of OUR money, Abel said he believes inadequate English and math skills may be impeding students' academic progress, and he said teachers and administrators should not assume students will seek help if they need it. He said teachers

should assume students will need help and will not operate as adults in the sense that learning can be left up to them.

I have another suggestion: treat people as children and they will act like children.

I recently completed a four-year degree at university. There, teachers treated students as mature adults, old enough to either do their work, or realize that university is not for them, and drop out to go elsewhere. You quickly learned to sink or swim. True, there is a high dropout rate, especially in first year, when students get their first taste of such freedom (although I am sure it is not as high as Conestoga's 30 per cent). Those students who remain, however, quickly gain the maturity necessary to work on their own.

I suggest the same could be true at college. For most students, if a class is missed, it is for a good reason. Personally, if a teacher harasses me about missed classes or even late assignments I only come to resent that

person, and lose respect for him or her. If I miss a class, or hand an assignment in late, it is usually for a good reason. If there is no good reason, I am willing to accept the consequences for my action and do not need or appreciate someone pestering me about where I was, or why my assignment is not in.

I suggest most students feel the same way.

Those students who still need the sort of overseeing we all got in high school perhaps should not be here in the first place, and the school is better off without them.

Shepherding students through the academic process who would otherwise have dropped out only results in a lower quality of graduate, one not able to work on his or her own, and lowers the reputation of a school, something students, faculty and administration alike can do without.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Spoke:

On March 12, a letter to the editor was written by a "concerned, intimidated student."

After reading the letter, I, vice-president of the DSA, was very concerned.

Some of the accusations made about John Lassel were either biased, unfounded, or just plain untruths.

First of all, John has had various committees in mind and in the planning stages, since the beginning of the school year. A lot of his time has been spent collecting data and trying to find supporting committee members. The fact that the committees weren't "started" until three-quarters of John's term was over was purely coincidence.

The DSA open house was scheduled for the beginning of the second semester. In September, there was an orientation week. John Cheryl, and myself took time to visit many classes. An open house wasn't really necessary or feasible for the first weeks of school.

Another thing that I found interesting about the letter was the mention of the "carefully planned tactic" on Feb. 1. The concerned student didn't go on the Quebec trip and therefore wasn't on the bus. How did he hear about this "tactic"?

Also, the fact that Cheryl Davenport arranges DSA activities has nothing to do with John's effectiveness as president.

### Detweiler deals with isolation

By Mike Stumpf

Students at the Detweiler Centre at Conestoga College's Doon campus are not concerned about being isolated from the rest of the campus, mainly because of the nature of the courses offered there.

Brian Brown, a basic electrical apprentice student, said that outside of pubs, not being involved in campus activities doesn't bother them.

"It really doesn't affect us, other than the pubs," Brown said.

Brown said if more information about pubs was posted, they (the DSA) might get more people from the centre.

"A lot of people go to Nick's," he said, referring to Nicholson's Tavern in the village of Blair, a spot frequented by college students.

Tim Harrington, a basic electrical apprentice and an employee at the K-W Record, said most of the students at Detweiler are there for only a short time.

"We're in and out of here so quick," Harrington said.

"You have to be here for a year to get involved."

The Detweiler Centre is holding a pub of its own at the end of March at the Doon Valley Golf Club, just down the road from the college.

### Recycle this paper

Boxes for recycling fine paper and newsprint have been placed in strategic locations around campus.

John never sits in his office with his door closed unless he's in a meeting, and, if I remember correctly, the Feb. 5 issue regarding intimidated students, was not negative. In fact, it stated that John was attempting to establish a direct link with the rest of the college. In my opinion, that's a caring president.

The election is over, the winners have been announced. Let's leave it at that.

The DSA works very hard for the student population, and many times I don't think the people realize how hard the executive does work.

I'd like to wish the 1990/1991 DSA executive good luck. It's a lot of work, but a lot of fun! Have a good year!

Sincerely,  
Marjorie Hewitt  
DSA vice-president

## You tell us:

Do you think Spoke was justified in running the cartoon of Steve Roth during campaign week?



"I think it was an editorial cartoon, and the editor has the ability to make any comments they wish."

Marjorie Hewitt, 3rd-year accounting.



"If they tone it down a little bit, maybe. Personally I think it was a direct personal attack at Steve's character."

Jeff Davad, 1st-year broadcasting.



"Spoke should not publish anything to discredit any one particular party. Out of courtesy Spoke should not discredit any of the parties running."

Rick Bengert, 1st-year law and security administration.



"No. If they run a cartoon of one candidate, they should run a cartoon of all the candidates so it won't be biased."

Rebecca Matern, 2nd-year graphic arts and advertising.



## Some of Canada's best accounting minds are in the insurance industry.

If you have an interest in accounting, why not consider a career with Canada's property/casualty, or general insurance industry? In fact, the industry offers a wider variety of career choices than you ever imagined. Accountants yes, but also systems analysts, lawyers, managers, loss prevention engineers, investment specialists, investigators, marine underwriters, aviation adjusters and many more. The choice is yours.

General insurance is also an industry that encourages you to acquire its own levels of professionalism. As a Fellow or Associate of The Insurance Institute of

Canada, you would join an educated, experienced and ethical group of professionals equipped to pursue successful careers at the local, provincial, national or even international level.

Choice, challenge, satisfaction and security. They are just some of the rewards you'll enjoy through a career in the property/casualty insurance industry. For more information, contact Les Dandridge, B.A., AIIC at The Insurance Institute of Canada, 481 University Avenue, 6th floor, Toronto, Ontario M5G 2E9 (416) 591-1572 Fax: (416) 591-1678.

## Canada's Insurance Professionals

The Graduates of The Insurance Institute of Canada.

**WINNERS  
from the  
NUTS & BOLTS NIGHT PUB**

Cindy Barber	Jeffrey Sutton
Jeff Baseggio	Jeff Nold
Leisa Crmsberry	Carolyn Schedeirtz
Gary Gornik	Cathy McDaniel
Peter Dooley	Mark Schneider
Michelle Godin	Allyson Peters
Shannon Hach	Adam Boissanneault

## **Cost no object candidates said**

By Bridget Bryans

Despite the expensive-looking popcorn and posters displayed around Doon campus for student association elections last month, most candidates said they had not spent a lot of money and costs were well worth the campaign.

John Lassel, who won the presidential race, said he spent more this year than last year, when he also won.

"Not much more. I spent about \$110 last year and \$150 this year," he said.

Steve Roth was the only candidate interviewed who had help with his costs. His campaign manager, Mike Coughlan, split the

approximately \$150 price tag for the posters, popcorn and balloons they used for Roth's campaign.

"You can't get a ball rolling if it is square," Liz Hermle, vice-presidential winner, said. Her campaign cost was about \$200. She said that she was not concerned about the cost.

Jeff Sutton, who lost in his bid for vice-president, said he concentrated on speaking to students personally. His costs were \$22 for photo copying his posters and \$3 for the masking tape to display them.

The costs for presidential candidate Peter Dooley and vice-presidential candidate Rui DaSilva were not available.

## **Dropout rate**

### **studied**

By John Freitas

Three years after Conestoga College launched a full-scale study into student retention co-ordinator of the project, said it has attained its ultimate goal.

"We are now able to come up with some comparisons of people who started (their programs) and people who graduated," Frank Abel said in an interview.

By examining the lifestyles of these two different groups, Abel identified a series of variables which may predispose students to success or failure.

Abel said the college is now looking at retention averages for the current academic year and is trying to develop workshops to enlighten faculty on "the issues".

He divided the issues into four different groups: students who discontinue their program because of poor grades, students who experience course difficulties but choose to remain in the program, students who have reassessed career goals and students who receive passing grades but choose to withdraw from a program.

Abel expressed uncertainty over whether students come to the college with enough academic preparation and said poor math and English skills are the two major variables which impede successful program completion.

He disagreed with the notion that the onus for receiving help should be placed on the students and said it is better to assume they will need help and will not operate as adults in the sense that learning can be left up to them.

"Making that assumption...is what has cost a lot of students their career plans. They need help," he said.

With a withdrawal survey now in place at the college, Abel said Conestoga is now ready to study the situation in a better light. According to Abel, the average retention rate for the first year of a program is 70 per cent.

He said the student's attachment to a program is a key to early withdrawal.

Conestoga College has, for the past seven years, ranked in the top three among Ontario's 22 community colleges for student retention.

"We know we can get better. That's basically what the whole retention project is geared to," said Abel. "I think things look pretty bright for this region."

## **INFORMATION ON THE PROPOSED GST AND STUDENTS.**

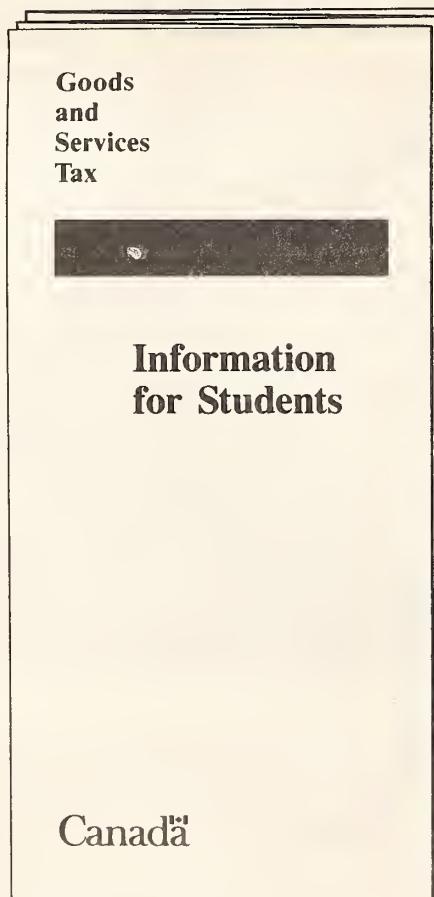
■ Under the proposed GST\* most students will qualify for the GST Credit and will be better off than they are now under the present Federal Sales Tax.

■ NO GST charged on fees by publicly-funded colleges and universities if the courses lead to diplomas or degrees.

■ NO GST charged on lab courses and mandatory computer courses leading to a diploma or a degree.

■ NO GST charged on compulsory student-association and athletic program fees.

\*The GST legislation is currently being considered by Parliament.



■ NO GST charged for occupational skill courses such as secretarial schools, trade schools and business colleges.

■ NO GST charged on basic groceries; food services included in residence fees or long-term meal-plans.

■ NO GST charged on residential rents including university residences and boarding houses.

■ NO GST charged on scholarships and bursaries, loans and many other financial services; health and dental care (including prescription drugs, glasses and contact lenses); and municipal transit fares.

**Call the GST Info Line toll-free now for the  
informative pamphlet: Information for Students.  
1 800 267-6620 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Fri.**

Telecommunications device for the hearing impaired: 1 800 267-6650

**Canada's GST. Information you should know.**



Department of Finance  
Canada

Ministère des Finances  
Canada

Canada

**Free Nooner!**  
featuring:

**David Cassel**

11:30

Doon Cafeteria  
Don't Miss this One!

# FEATURES

## HAIR TODAY, GONE TOMORROW

Campus hairstyles keep  
students a cut above  
the rest.

**H**air. Long beautiful hair. No matter how you wear it, your hair says a lot about who you are, what you do, and what you like.

While most Conestoga College students are content to blend into the crowd, a few daring souls are willing to stand out with a style all their own.

The long and short of the matter is, a hairstyle is an opportunity to express your individuality, but still, some are more individual than others.



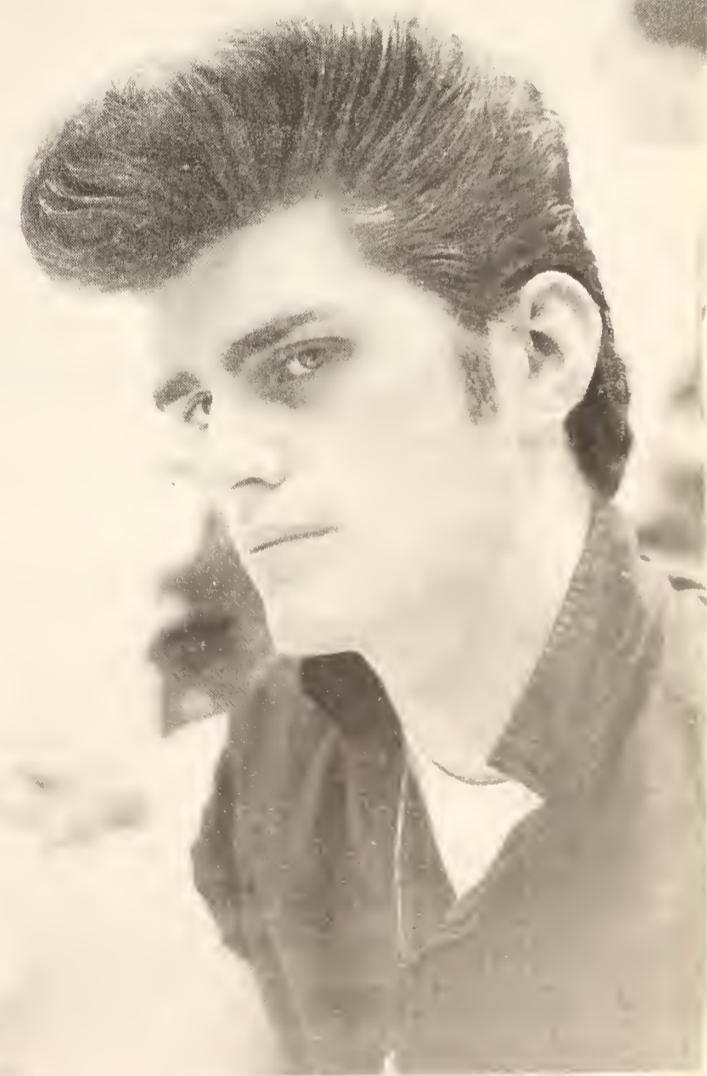
**Above:**  
Brian Kempster, a first-year law and security student, sports a did-it-all-by-myself spiky, summer cut.

**Top right:**  
Rob Pimentel, first-year business accounting, goes for a close shave.

**Bottom left:**  
Rockabilly Rebel, Dale Howie, a third-year electronics engineering technology student, is proud of his rebellious looks.

**Below:**  
Howie, and his time-consuming locks would make Elvis jealous.

**Bottom left:**  
Grace Carruthers, an audio-visual department employee, has been growing her tresses for ten years.



Photos by Jana Faulhafer

# ENTERTAINMENT

## Turnout low for Doon pub

By Tara Ziemanis

Conestoga College's March 15 pub featured the hands-down-winner for the band with the oddest name.

Ten Seconds Over Tokyo played to a small but attentive crowd, and eventually managed to elicit an enthusiastic response.

This was no easy task, considering pub staff initially outnumbered pub patrons.

The 140-student turnout was surprisingly low for a pub that not only featured a band, but also announced DSA election results.

John Lassel was announced winner of the DSA presidential race, and Liz Hermle as DSA vice-president.

Hermle, who wore a permanent grin through the evening, summed up her mood.

"I feel really happy," she said.

The band, Ten Seconds Over Tokyo, attempted to promote their year-old album by selling tapes during the pub.

The four-member group played a wide variety of songs, from INXS and U2 to Led Zeppelin and original music off their album.

The band attempted to explain



Members of Ten Seconds Over Tokyo entertain pub crowd March 15.

(Photo by Tara Ziemanis/Spoke)

their name. "It's an old family name," was the group response.

The members hail from as far away as Edmonton and Detroit, with an average age of 23.

The two-year-old group began as a cover band but soon

branched out to original material. Now their goal is to "get signed (to a label), and tour to promote the album."

They are currently touring Canada, having just returned from the east.

Photo by Tara Ziemanis/Spoke

# SPORTS

## Long named ICHL coach of the year, despite final loss in championship

By Jana Faulhafer

Conestoga College's hockey Condors ended the season just short of the International Collegiate Hockey League championship, March 9 and 10, dropping the tournament final 5-3 to regular-season leaders, Niagara College.

On March 9, Niagara defeated Buffalo State 7-4 in the semi-finals, while Conestoga played strong in a 2-0 win over Penn State.

In the next game against the Nittany Lions, Conestoga goalie Marc McCallum did not allow the Lions anything.

Captain Rob Datz scored both goals and provided an insurmountable offence.

The final, between Conestoga College and Niagara College, was hockey at its finest.

After the first period, the teams were even at 1-1, with Rick Campbell finding the net for the Condors.

The second period told the story as Niagara continued to play a strong game.

Niagara parlayed offensive pressure and tight defence into a 4-2 lead, which proved the margin of difference between the teams.

Doug McIntosh scored the lone Conestoga goal in the second period.

The final period remained a contest of equals with

Conestoga's Condors playing strong until the end.

Todd Dinner got the final Condor marker.

Conestoga College's strong hockey season was recognized, with Condor coach Scott Long

named ICHL coach of the year.

The only remaining varsity action this season is March 23 and 24, when the Condors play host to the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association indoor soccer championships.

SPRINGFEST  
MINI PUB!



Tues. March 27  
3:30 - 7 p.m.  
Doon Caf.

FREE  
ENTERTAINMENT!

Gary McGill

NACHOS! ONLY \$1.00  
Age of majority required

### Classifieds

**SUMMER JOBS**  
Springtime Garden Centres Limited is hiring retail salespersons. No experience necessary. Enthusiasm essential. Information and applications available at the Doon Campus, Portable #8.

**FURNISHED** apartment, light housekeeping, all inclusive, private, 2 adults, non-smoking. No parking, close to bus. Wilson Park. \$700. Leave message: 654-1996.

**SEXUAL SELF ESTEEM**  
A support group run by Interfaith Pastoral Counselling Centre for men and women struggling with issues around sexual orientation. Starts April 5. Call 743-6781 for brochure or information.

### Intramural Standings

### Contact Hockey Finals

Team	GP	W	L	T	D	Pts
Busters	18	15	1	1	1	48
Individuals	18	10	6	2	0	40
Devils	18	9	6	1	2	35
Liquidators	18	8	9	1	0	35
Maniacs	18	5	10	3	0	31
LASA II	18	7	9	2	2	30
Wood Techs	18	4	11	2	1	27

### Women's Volleyball

Team	GP	W	L	T	D	Pts
LASA I	2	2	0	0	0	6
Female Follies	1	1	0	0	0	3
Gumbies	3	0	3	0	0	0

### Men's Volleyball

Team	GP	W	L	T	D	Pts
LASA I	7	6	0	1	0	19
No Names	6	5	0	1	0	16
Mets	7	2	0	5	0	11
Liquidators	6	2	0	4	0	10
Guelph	6	1	0	5	0	6

### Men's Basketball

Team	GP	W	L	T	D	Pts
LASA I	2	2	0	0	0	6
Rubber Love II	1	0	0	1	0	1
Liquidators	2	0	0	2	0	2
Mean Business	1	1	0	0	0	3

### NOW AVAILABLE

### PROFESSIONAL WORDPROCESSING

#### FOR YOUR:

-RESUMES-ESSAYS-REPORTS-

Discount on photocopies with this ad.

300 Manitou Dr.

Tel. (519)748-6006

Kitchener, Ont.

Fax (519)748-4536

HOURS: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday-Friday

### Springfest '90

#### Monday

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. — Beard Growing Contest registration in DSA Activities Office

to enter, participants must register!

11:30 - 12:30 — Foosball Tourney in student lounge

sign up in the DSA Activities Office

11:30 — Life Saver Pass in Cafeteria

12 noon — Egg Toss — Bring a partner!

teams of 4

#### Tuesday

11:30 — Free Nooner in the cafeteria, featuring David Cassel

11:30 Foosball Tourney continues in lounge

3:30 - 7 p.m. — Mini-pub in the cafeteria featuring free live entertainment:

Gary McGill

Nachos only \$1

#### Wednesday

11:30 — Pass the Oopie ball around the cafeteria and win a prize!

11:45 — Annual Hula Hoop Contest

12 noon — Signature T-shirt Contest

get as many signatures on your T-shirt as you can in 15 minutes and you win. Only 10 entries will be accepted

#### Thursday

11:30 — Beard Growing Judging in the cafeteria

12 noon — Buckwheat Look-A-Like contest in the cafeteria

8p.m. — Molson's Homegrown Talent Night, Doon cafeteria

\$3 in advance

\$4 at the door

Judges: Dave Schneider, 570 CHYM

Greg "Fritz" Hines, Helix



# Nicholas understands student problems

By John Freitas

Myrna Nicholas said she was "terrified" when she decided to enrol in Conestoga's early childhood education program (ECE) 18 years ago as a mature student.

Today, Nicholas, student services clerk at Doon campus, is no longer intimidated by the college atmosphere. Rather she describes the ambience as that of a community within a community.

"I wasn't sure what to expect," said Nicholas, recalling her experiences as a student at the college.

Away from the formal education system for several years, Nicholas found a level of domestic readjustment was necessary, as was the need to learn how to write reports.

"I didn't know how much depth I should go into, so of course I

over-killed every report," said Nicholas.

By the second year, however, she was feeling comfortable with her routine.

Nicholas graduated from the ECE program in 1974 and was immediately hired as staff in the same program.

But she abandoned this career path when her husband was diagnosed as having a terminal illness.

"I wasn't sure I had the energy—it takes a lot of energy to be a good teacher—and I just didn't have the energy to do that and spend time with my husband," she said.

Nicholas spent much of her time at a hospital during her husband's illness and remembers the support she received from people at the college.

When her husband died, the church was filled and she noted many in attendance were college

colleagues.

"I work with a good group. They're very thoughtful people," she said.

Though she enjoyed the contact with daycare students at her previous post, Nicholas said she is happier with her current job, which allows more contact with the older students and adults.

Most of her day is spent directing people, scheduling appointments, answering phone inquiries and helping students find affordable

housing.

"You have to have a broad knowledge of what goes on at the college and who the best contacts are to get answers from," she said.

She sits on the college council and was recently elected to represent the support staff union.

She is a member of the United Way citizens' review committee and a member of ZONCA International—a women's service group which is active in the community raising money for local institutions

and agencies like ARGUS House and the community hospitals. Many of the women also volunteer their services in programs such as Meals on Wheels and the Red Cross.

Though she is not currently active in it, Nicholas holds a real estate licence and lists the real estate market as one of her interests.

"My husband and I would buy an old house and we would restore it and decorate it."

## WHAT'S NEW AT THE DOON LEARNING RESOURCE CENTRE?!

The Canadian Green Consumer Guide - Pollution Probe  
 Essays on the Closing of the American Mind  
 Family Therapy in the Community - MacPhail, W.D.  
 The Great Cover-Up: A Condom Compendium - Zimet, Susan  
 Half a Childhood: Time for School-Age Child Care - Bender, Judith  
 Single Fathers - Grief, Geoffrey  
 Start Your Own Business: The Canadian Entrepreneur's Guide-Cook, P.  
 Studio Secrets for the Graphic Artist - Buchan, Jack  
 Troubleshooting and Repairing VCR's - McComb, Gordon  
 Women, Health and Poverty - Percales, L.S.  
 World Hunger: Twelve Myths - Lappe, Frances  
 Baby Business - Video Tape 2227  
 Canadian Parliamentary Video - Video Tape 2218  
 Something to Talk About - Video Tape 2228  
 BBC News brief: One-Hour Digest of World Events compiled each month.

The DSA wants to extend a special  
**THANK YOU**

to the following:-

Jean -Paul Beaudette - Accounting  
 Wendy Ann Elzinga - Nursing  
 Sherrie Grimes - Accounting  
 Val Harrison - Management  
 Annie Hehn - Management  
 Bernie Jager - Accounting  
 Martha Kropf - Accounting  
 Brian Longmire - Marketing  
 Kelly MacDonald - Graphics  
 Rick Moffat - Construction  
 Sandra Moffat - Accounting  
 Patte Nahrgang - Broadcasting  
 Don Ruddick - Management  
 Troy Schmidt - Accounting  
 Stuart Schneider - Marketing  
 Terry Wilson - Accounting

Because they generously gave up their time to staff the election voting stations, the elections went smoothly!

**THANKS AGAIN,**  
 Lynda Johnson and Marjorie Hewitt  
 DSA Election Chairpersons



## WINNERS from the NUTS & BOLTS NIGHT PUB

Cindy Barber	Jeffrey Sutton
Jeff Baseggio	Jeff Nold
Leisa Crmsberry	Carolyn Schedeirtz
Gary Gornik	Cathy McDaniel
Peter Dooley	Mark Schneider
Michelle Godin	Allyson Peters
Shannon Hach	Adam Boissanneault

CONESTOGA COLLEGE  
 DOON STUDENT ASSOCIATION  
 and the ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

## 21st ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

Thursday, April 19, 1990  
 Edelweiss Tavern

Cocktails 5:00 p.m.

Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Awards Presentation 7 p.m.- 9 p.m.

\$13/person - \$25/couple

Tickets available at DSA Activities Office and at the Rec. Centre.

Buy your tickets by Thursday, April 12.

